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Configuration
Decision: OCFO 01-03

Date:

To: USDA Agencies

Subject: Financial Management Modernization Initiative (FMFI) – Functional Area

PURPOSE

The purpose of this configuration decision is to provide the nomenclature for the field. Additionally, the default value for the functional area field is defined for those agencies that do not have a need for it.

DECISION

The **functional area** will be used to track the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) programs (the Performance and Accountability Report (PAR) programs) or agency specific programs. Programs are defined as long term, mission critical activities which have no defined start and end dates. The PAR provides guidance on examples of the programs which can be established as Functional Areas in FMFI.

In general, USDA programs are defined as:

- OMB-recognized category B programs
- OMB-recognized reporting categories
- Agency-specific programs
- Department-Wide Programs (Agency Identifier = AG)

The functional area will be on every transaction posting as an element which is directly entered. A functional area is represented in FMFI by a 16-position alpha-numeric field.

For agencies that **have identified** a need for the functional area field, the nomenclature will be as follows:

- Positions 1-2 = Agency Identifier
- Positions 3-4 = Apportionment Category
- Positions 5-16 = Agency Defined

For agencies that **have not identified** a need for the functional area field, the default value will be **AGDEFAULT**.

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N****INQUIRIES**

Questions concerning this configuration decision should be directed to the Systems Analysis and Requirements Division at **(202) 205-4830**.

EFFECTIVE DATE

This configuration decision is effective immediately.

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